

Unless you train yourself for your chance,
your chance will only make you look ridiculous.
—Anon.

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work done in the right way, in the shortest
time, and with the least effort.

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Dorothy Dix Talks

WHEN LOVE TIRES.

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I get a great many pathetic letters from women who write that the men they love have ceased to love them and pitifully ask how they can regain this lost affection.

Sometimes the letter is from a wife who says that her husband has grown tired of her, that he does not take the trouble even to pretend to care for her or take any interest in her any more. She might be the kitchen stove for all the tenderness he ever shows her. He never observes how she looks. He never comments on what she does except to criticize it. He is silent as the grave or else as grouchy as a sore-headed bear around the house.

Sometimes the man comes out boldly and honestly tells his wife that he no longer loves her and asks her to give him a divorce. Oftener he lacks the courage to put the ghastly truth in words, but in his sullen looks, his impatience of manner, his joyless attitude towards life, his poor wife reads her doom. She knows that her husband's love for her is dead, that he never looks at her without regretting the folly that made him marry her and that only a sense of honor and duty and compassion makes him endure her with outward patience.

Sometimes the woman who writes is a woman who has lost the love of a man on whom she had not even the legal claim of matrimony. Sometimes for years the man and woman had been sweethearts, and he had monopolized her time and attention, driving all other suitors away. Very often it had been a beautiful relationship, full of sentiment and romance, generosity and sympathy, the real mating of two hearts and souls.

And then something happened, something so vague and intangible that the woman never knew why, nor when, nor how the tragedy occurred, but gradually the fire died out of the man's love making and it grew colder and colder until it was just a handful of ashes on the altar of what had been a great passion. The man quit coming to see her so often, then stayed away for weeks, and finally only came when she bullied him into it by frantic notes and telephoning, and at last the day came when the woman faced the bitter fact that the man she loved was weary of her, that she bored him and that she was a burden on his hands.

And these poor, forsaken, neglected women, mourning over their dead love, ask what they can do to breathe into it once more the breath of life.

Alas, there is absolutely nothing that they can do. No one can give them a reliable recipe for warming up lukewarm affection or reheating a cold fancy. The days of miracles are past and no one has the power to bid a dead love to arise and walk again.

Love is like a disease. When we have recovered from it, it is over, for good and all. When the individual who has once thrilled us ceases to thrill us, nothing that he or she can do will quicken the pulse by a single heart beat. Nor can any will or desire of ours bring back the dear, delightful pang that crisped our nerves and sent our temperature up to fever heat.

Charm, interest, attraction, the mysterious something that draws us to another we neither understand nor can explain. We only know that we feel them for a time, and then we feel them no more. The one that we have thought beautiful becomes hideous in our eyes. The one who interested us turns into the most wearisome of bores. Little tricks of personality that we once found enchanting get on our nerves. Love is dead. Selah.

We do not know why we fall in love. We do not know why we fall out of love. The thing merely happens and it is folly for the forsaken one to blame the one whose temperature has dropped from fever heat to below normal. It is no fault of his or hers. We would all remain forever raving in the delicious delirium of love if we could.

Unfortunately this is impossible, and while we may have recurrent attacks of love as long as we live, it is never from the same source of infection. When we wake up from our dream of love the familiar old hand and voice to which we are accustomed can never wave us back into the hypnotic trance again. It takes a new hand and a new voice to put the spell upon us.

This is what makes so futile the efforts of women to win back their wandering husbands and sweethearts. It is so absolutely impossible to recreate the spell that first fired a man's fancy. As well try to gather at noon-day the mists of dawn or fold the shattered petals of a rose into a bud again as for the woman of whom a man has grown weary to try to make herself again the elusive object of his desire she once was.

It simply can't be done, but while no woman can reanimate a dead love, most women could keep love alive if they would. Men are not wantonly fickle. Men hate to hurt women, and especially they hate to hurt the women they have once loved. They would prefer to keep on worshipping at the shrine on which they laid their youthful hearts, and probably every faithful man suffers as much as does the woman whom he forsakes.

If women appreciated this perhaps there would be fewer of them shattering their husbands' ideal of them by their sordid selfishness, their nagging and their littleness. Women are never willing to take the blame, but when love lies dead between a husband and wife, it is just as often her hand that has murdered it as his.

But to come back to the question asked by the neglected women who find that the men they love have ceased to love them, which is, what shall they do in the heart-breaking situation they confront.

My advice is to face the question fairly and squarely and realize that there is no way in which a woman can pique the interest of a man whose interest in her has gone or inspire love in him after his love for her is dead.

Therefore, let her waste no time in the hopeless undertaking, but let her make her life over from another angle than the sentimental one. After all, love is not the only thing in the world. There are fifty-seven other varieties of interests and pleasures.

When a wife realizes that she has lost her husband's love she generally proceeds to make an enemy of him by her tears, recriminations and reproaches. If she has the courage and the fortitude to make the best of a bad bargain, she will deny herself the pleasure of blaming him for what may have been only a process of evolution in which he outgrew her and for which nature, not he, was responsible, or for something that was probably as much her fault as his, and by her big acceptance of a situation that a little woman would make a place of torment win his eternal gratitude and friendship. Thus domestic life may go on placidly and not unhappily between them.

And in any case, the one remedy for a broken heart is work. Let her fill her days so full of constructive labor, and especially labor for others, that she will have no time to think of whether she loved or not. Thus in the love of the many she shall find consolation for the loss of the love of one.

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When a Feller Needs a Friend

By BRIGGS



badge previously belonging to another. If any badge is won three times consecutively, then the cadet may have the badge as his permanent property.

The honors of the fall term went to the following boys:

First honor—Ralph Ault, Watson Williams, Carrol Horner, Preston Chapin, Montgomery Clark, Frederick Forbes, Gay Harris, Richard Raymond, Henry Afong, Andrew McGill, Howard Babbitt, Walter Holt.

Second honor—Joe Katsunuma, Clarence Hurley, Jim Hoogs, Warren Bockus, John Randolph, William Boyen, Albert Hoogs, Cornelius Schwal-

lie, Warner Hobby, Warren Chamberlain, Phillips Brooks, Eric Wakefield, Ernest Kaal, Arthur Brown, Dick Gurrey, Lloyd Hopwood, Emil Peters, Alfred Giles.

GOSPEL HOME WILL NEED \$5000 FOR 1918 BUDGET

A letter which is being sent out by W. E. Pietsch, superintendent of the Gospel Mission home, Palolo, requests subscriptions to the budget of \$5000 which will be necessary to carry on the work of the institution during 1918. The budget has been approved by the

Chamber of Commerce.

Evangelist Pietsch announces the completion of the small hospital and women's cottages. Since the opening of the home more than 200 children and 20 women have been cared for. A branch of the home has been established at the Honolulu plantation, where some of the older boys have been given jobs.

"We now form part of the League of Honor to which President Wilson, in the name of supreme interests, has gravely bidden us, and we are embodying in deeds our unshakable principles of continental solidarity."—The President of Uruguay.

PUNAHOU'S NEW MILITARY-PHYSICAL TRAINING SYSTEM PROVES SUCCESS

Last week Punahou Academy and Preparatory School closed what has been rather a new departure in school activities—a combination of military training, Scout activities and physical training.

A typical day's program will reveal the nature of the training the young cadets are receiving. There are four Prep. School companies. They fall in at 2:30 p. m., on Mondays and Thursdays of each week. For ten minutes they go through close order exercises, then they are put through a vigorous set of calisthenics for another ten minutes. After this two companies line up against each other for some form of intercompany sports, i. e., soccer. The other two companies are taken off by the Scout instructors for work in signaling, or other scout activities. Twenty-five minutes are taken by this sort of exercise, after which the companies are formally dismissed.

The Boy Scouts' instruction has been carried on under the advice of R. N. Burnham, Boy Scouts executive for the islands. The actual instruction has been done by a number of experienced Scouts who are now in Punahou: D. Pratt, A. Wilder, R. Kuehn, T. Forbes, H. Foster.

A recent improvement in training has been made possible by the adop-

tion of a uniform of serviceable khaki.

There are four companies in the Preparatory School and two in the Academy. The number taking drilling in the prep. is 150; in the academy 116. The cadets are, for convenience, organized as two battalions, for they do not drill at the same period.

A merit system has been in operation with success in the Preparatory school. By this system a cadet may win 100 merits per term if his conduct and capacity are what they should be. Competition is fostered by the system, for there are a stated number of awards to be made each term. Also, inter-company contests assist in maintaining a high degree of emulation among the cadets. To have demerits up to a certain percentage will disqualify a boy from athletic sports and from holding office in a company.

For the past term's work several awards were made. Twelve silver badges were awarded to the twelve highest honor men in school. Eighteen appropriately marked felt badges were awarded to the cadets winning second honors. These awards are to be the property of the present holders so long as they can keep their high places in the companies. But as soon as any cadet shows himself more worthy of honor, he will be given the

USE MOVIES TO STIMULATE FOOD RAISING 'DRIVE'

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 2.—Official motion pictures bringing home the vital importance of increased food production will be shown by the United States department of agriculture in hundreds of regular motion picture theaters throughout the United States. The first releases, which are to be handled under an agreement with the Universal Film Manufacturing Company through its exchanges, will be made early in December. The first film will show activities in the national forests, which are important sources of timber and water supply and also afford grazing for a large number of cattle and sheep.

The second release, which will follow in about two weeks, will show what children through the pig clubs are doing to increase the supply of pork. Other selections from the department's 40,000 feet of official subjects will make clear various features of food production, the raising of meat animals and horses, and will deal with home activities such as poultry raising and the canning and drying of perishable products.

The department lab-stories are at work on a number of other popular films specially designed to appeal to city as well as rural populations. Problems of food production and show them ways in which they can co-operate effectively to feed the nation and the allies.

Y. W. TO OMIT COURSE IN GERMAN NEXT YEAR

Classes for the new term will begin at the Y. W. C. A. on January 7. This announcement was made today by the educational committee of the association. German will not be taught in the new language courses for the next year. French and one other language will be offered.

Classes in cooking, dress making, millinery and business courses will be among the features of the school. A standard course of business English and banking will be given. The business class which started in October will continue until March, but a new class will also be formed. Mrs. A. N. Lincoln, who has a reputation in the East as a teacher of business methods will conduct the new class. In addition to the business and English classes the committee has announced that there will be an English class for Japanese.

CORNELL MAY STOP VACATIONS FOR WAR

ITHACA, N. Y.—Cornell contemplates shortening the college year four weeks by reducing and eliminating vacations. The purpose is to release students early for war service.



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